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Jersey justice also scores again in decreeing that dirt is "disorderly" and that parents will be punished for conduct of that variety if they do not see to it that their youngsters are properly cleaned.

More proof that Uncle Sam is relentless in the pursuit of those who life which transmute foul and dangeroffend against him. A former railway mail clerk has just been arrested for a big mail robbery that occurred in the spring of 1912, or three long

many members of the recent Kansas legislature are reasonably familiar with the details of the 378 laws that were passed by that body, and the bulk of which were enacted during the hurry and rush of the closing ten days of the session.

An amplification of Kipling's suggestion that "the Colonel's lady and Judy O'Grady are sisters under the skin," is to be found in the announcement of the enrollment of a negro on the roster of England's famous Cold- and moving pictures will show the man's a man in war time no matter what his color may be.

At any rate, the latest to enter the At any rate, the latest to enter the hibit on hygiene and sanitation ever Two sisters-in-law are vieing with lists for one of the provisional presidencies of Mexico, General Felipe Au-expected to play a very vital part in stunts, reports the Pratt Union. One geles, is blessed with a name of felici- the dissemination of knowledge which rushed to tous significance. But as there is seldom anything in a name, he might health asset. turn out to be quite the imp that his rivals in the Mexican executive arena

of Kansas for the starving Belgians a danger to the home if he would has been suggested by the Kansas Bel- make a trip through Kansas and other gian Relief Fund executive committee. equal rights states and inspect the It is an idea of noble proportions. Let conditions of the homes in them. It the offering be a large one. Kansas would be just as sensible to argue that responded finely with its first contri- men would make larger successes of bution of flour for the Belgians. But their business enterprises if they did the latter are still on the verge of not have the right to vote, as it is to the latter are still on the verge of not have the right to vote, as it is to

You will be treating your friends suggest that the home is on the road better if you don't treat them. ly Kansans will respond again and to destruction when women are acgenerously.

What the Russian military authorities apparently need to assure the largest possible success for their arms is the advice of some of the war analysts working on newspapers in this country and who have been no nearer to the arena of the war than New York or Boston. They are already pointing out just how Russia will throw away the advantages that have come to her through the capture of Przemysl by following up this vic- Dairy Cattle." One of these herds tory with moves in the wrong direc-

Many prominent Japanese are agitating for the purchase of the Philippines as a means of ending the constant disputes between Japan and the United States. These disagreements are almost wholly concerned with the Japanese emigration to this country. And the Japanese Philippine-purchase party declares that if Japan owned the Philippines there would be no need of Japanese emigration to Callfornia and elsewhere in Uncle Sam's domain. But is such an argument sound? The opportunities and advantages for Japanese in the Philippines are not to be compared with those in the United States, and even if Japan owned the Philippines the chances are just as many Japanese as ever would desire to emigrate to this coun-

Of course, Topekans are gratified at an opportunity to get into personal touch with the distinguished members of the Flying Squadron and its work. But Isn't it a waste of time and effort for these prohibitory crusaders to present their program in Topeka or turning an average profit of \$7.55; any other place in Kansas? Prihibi- and the best third averaged 6,765 tion is a fact in Kansas, a permanent pounds of milk and 278 pounds of butfact. And there isn't a member of terfat, each cow making an annual th congress from Kansas, either in the profit of \$26.82, besides paying mar-holding him up. congress from Kansas, either in the senate or house of representatives, who would so far ignore the sentiment of his constituents as to vote against any kind of a measure designed to bring about national prohibition. It would seem, therefore, that they are fair representatives of ling Squadron could deliver its message to larger advantage in other localities, where there is real need for missionary effort for the prohibitory cause. So far as Topeka is concerned the war for prohibition is over.

Drou never can tell. Many a man keeps some man guessing.

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You never can tell. Meny a fair the inevitable, only to find that it is a case of mistaken identity. Sillicus—"A man never makes a mistage advice." Cynicus—"A man never makes a mistage advice." Cynicus—"No, it's acting upon it that counts." Money is still tight, said the financier. "No wonder, considering how much of it goes into saloons," representatives of Uncle Sam's cows. According to the last census, the average production of the 1,000 cows tested in Illinois was 203 pounds, therefore the calities, where there is real need for the cows in the United States was 140 missionary effort for the prohibitory cause. So far as Topeka is concerned the war for prohibition is over.

Muggins—"She thinks no man is good enough for her." Buggins—"She may be right, too." Muggins—"Yes; but she is more apt to be left."

A WONDERFUL EXHIBIT.

If the spirit of Morgan, the pirate, had taken the seas again and over- ative. hauled the United States auxiliary waters which he onced infested, that long deceased pirate would have beheld the most wonderful prize cargo which ever fell into his hands.

Were the boxes containing the exhibit that is to be displayed by the United States public health service at the San Francisco exposition broken a herd of 30 cows), together with all open, strange and varied would be the the buildings, horses, tools, equipment objects which would be found there- and labor necessary for one of the in; many of them illustrating subjects, three herds. These farms aggregate which were undreamed of in Morgan's 36,800,000 acres, or 57,500 square

There would be a small theater in which would be shown by beautiful paintings the story of a typhoid bacillus carrier and how she innocently spread typhold fever and brought sorrow and death to many. Other models would show how the same disease is spread by flies, oysters, and water, and still other models would show the influence of the improvespread of the disease. There are mosquitoes in this strange cargo, mosquitoes as large as eagles, lifeless to be sure, yet showing in every detail the be sure, yet showing in every detail the life history of this disease carrying insect from the egg to adult mosquitohood. There would be fleas that Associated Press and receives the full day would strike terror to the heart of telegraph report of that great news orwould strike terror to the heart of dogs; so exhibited as to demonstrate. the manner in which they carry plague from rats to man, and speaking of rats, there would be the model of a ratless ship in which no rodent is perfurther discourage this ubiquitous enemy of man, the exhibit graphically ing. shows the various methods which may in amazement were he to see the beautiful blown glass models of the germs which produce the various diseases of man, and were he a scientist of today he would go into raptures over the delicately tinted glass models showing the lower forms of vegetable ous sewage into harmless materials. There is a model showing the money which flows out of Uncle Sam's pockets every year to pay the bills for wholly preventable diseases; more money than Morgan took in his fam-It would be interesting to know how ous sacking of Panama, a sum far greater than the total amount of his lootings.

When this exhibit is installed at San Francisco it will include a model municipal laboratory which will be engaged in the examination of water furnished by common carriers to passengers in interstate traffic. There will be models and charts and drawings to illustrate the ravages caused by yellow fever, smallpox, tuberculosis, rabies, Rocky mountain spotted fever, typhus fever, and diphtheria; stream Guards. In other words, a various methods employed by the public health service in protecting the health of the citizens of the United States. This is the most extensive exhibit on hygiene and sanitation ever the average citizen can utilize as a

George W. Wickersham, formerly attorney general of the United States. might change his mind in respect to An Easter offering from the people the theory that woman's suffrage is corded this privilege.

PROFITABLE DAIRY STOCK. Uncle Sam-that is to say, that part of the American population that farms -keeps three immense herds of dairy cows; each herd contains seven miilion head and occupies a farm the size of the state of Illinois, writes Wilber J. Fraser in the American Review of Reviews for March, in an article entitled "Uncle Sam's Three Herds of for its keep. Another of equal size makes a moderate profit of \$7.85 per cow, but the third herd of 7,000,000 high producing cows makes the splen-

This is not a mere guess, but is based upon facts secured by the debased upon facts secured by the department of dairy husbandry of the optimist like the election forecaster? University of Illinois from a large and It may be that he is more honest fair comparison of the individual about it, even if his guesses are often yearly records of over 1,000 cows in vain and uncertain. herds, tested by this department, in different parts of the state.

Investigations were not made to show that there is a difference in the th producing power of individual dairy mouth variety. nows, as this has been known for a long time, but were made to show how wide and far-reaching this variation is and something of its meaning to the dairy industry of the United States.

The poorest third of these cows produced an average of 3,654 pounds of milk and 134 pounds butterfat an-a rumor to earth to find that it is nually, each cow lacking \$7.25 of paying for her keep. The middle third averaged 5,000 pounds of milk and many a man has more of it than he is 198 pounds of butterfat annually, re-198 pounds of butterfat annually, re-

figures here given do not exaggerate the actual conditions and are conserv

Using the above figures as a basis ship, Caesar, as it sailed through the for Uncle Sam's herds, the following noteworthy facts are brought out:

Since each of the three herds con tains over 7,000,000 cows, or more than 230,000 herds of 30 cows each, it will require 230,000 farms contain ing 160 acres each (a quarter section being required to successfully handle miles, equal to an immense farm the size of the state of Illinois.

Journal Entries

Everything that's cheap isn't neces-

sarily a bargain.

Isn't it also true that many self-Isn't it also true that many self-made men are failures?

With most people, the good things

The Hickeyville Clarion.

Last time Bud Hicks was locked up in our sheet from village jail some-body smuggled a can opener in to him, and he ain't been saw since

company are disagreeable folk at

love that laughs at locksmiths usually has the first laugh, the lock-smiths having the last and best one.

Jayhawker Jots

mitted to take passage, and in order to dences moves the Blue Mound Sun to move for a movement to remove move

A Sabetha woman who believes in be employed in its destruction. Poor safety first has an extra set of false Morgan would certainly rub his eyes teeth, according to Mrs. Ralph Ten-

Philip Flipflep is quoted by the Lansing News as saying: "A good housewife is never on the list of the

Jitney Jones is an all round enter-tainer. Jitney not only tells the funny stories, but also leads in the applause. -Holton Signal. An enemy will pay what he owes you quicker than your friends will pay, insists the Wilson County Citizen. Enemics aren't such bad fellows after

all. In the story books, explains Jamestown Optimist, the girl jilts her lover and lives to regret it. In real life she jilts him and lives to sympa-thize with the woman he marries.

Never mind, urges Mrs. Homer Hoch in the Marion Record, the old philosophers sny "there is nothing philosophers say "there is nothing permanent but change" so the waist unmarked and shifting bids fair to remain.

As Bob Good, editor of the Cawker differentiates between Ledger. drafts: A draft from an open win-dow makes a man cold: a poor draft in the kitchen stove makes him hot: and an overdraft at the bank will hereafter make him hustle.

A bulletin from the state fire mar-shal's office says sermons in churches were employed in many towns last year to stimulate interest in fire preyention, notes the Clay Center Times, and it adds: Aren't all sermons in all churches for the purpose of stimulat-ing interest in fire prevention?

rushed to a social meeting Friday night with but the top button of her shoes buttoned while the other at-tended the Ladies' Aid with one lace shoe and one button shoe showing be-low her skirts. Incidentally, these instances seem to be excellent arguments for longer, not shorter skirts as Dame Fashion is demanding.

Globe Sights BY THE ATCHISON GLOBE.

A lot of men meet ruin fooling with "safe things."

Hope is a great institution, although won't effect a cure where calomel In the spring the town gardeners are

th more numerous than in August, well-cooked month. It is all right to be a friend of the cople if you can make a living and other luxuries in that line of en-

Ab Adkins says his lodge talks a good deal more about the Good of the Order than of relieving distressed members.

It may also be said that a mistake of many of the Christian soldiers is lacks \$50,000,000 annually of paying that they mistake their mouths for heavy artillery. The difference seems to be that the

Chinese worship their ancestors and a large portion of the rest of the world merely brags on its ancestors did, but not extraordinary, profit of \$26.82 per head, or \$187,000,000 annually.

This is not a mere guess, but is to believe.

You may have observed that the gumshoe school of statesmanship has graduates in a number of officers in this land of the free, and keeps them there longer than the shoot-

QUAKER MEDITATIONS.

[From the Philadelphia Record.] Riches have wings, but poverty wears the spurs.

Provided it isn't counterfeit, even a silver dollar is a good round sum. groundless.

Self-respect is a good asset, but Never compliment a woman on be-

ing graceful until you see her get off a trolley car. Don't hold a man up to scorn. Even ne footpad is satisfied with simply

On the Spur of the Moment BY ROY K. MOULTON.

Not Yet, but Soon. What is that scintillating thing, Seen from afar, Outshining newly painted sign

Or touring car? It cannot be the sun. Oh, no; The orb of day

Does not scare all the horses most To death that way. cannot be the moon because No moon would dare

To come out boldly at noontide With such a glare. And still it comes right boldly on And pains the eyes
Of passersby who greet it with
A mild surprise.

h, ha! At last we plainly see The bright thing that causing the sensation is The first straw hat.

around these parts. Constable Hand carries a pistol, but it ain't ludded. He says it is always the guns which ain't ludded that does the most dam-age, according to the newspapers.

Mrs. Anson Frisby has got a new sectional book case so she can keep on hands books from all sections of the country. was a pound social at the parsonage the other evening and Rev.

Hudnut says that most everybody who came brought a pound of salt. How They Economize Wife's daily account: One-sixth dozen eggs.....\$

one spool cotton thread	-0.0
Ash man	.16
Malted milk for baby	.27
one pound liver	.16
One card safety pins	.02
Street car fare	.10
Total.	\$.81
Husband's daily account:	
Jasoline	\$1.80
'igars	1.25
Beverages	3.45
unch downtown	1.10

Evening Chat

BY RUTH CAMERON

Horace Walpole once said:

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

[From the Chicago News.]

Diamonds are trumps in the game

Just God forgive."

dication of wisdom

erty makes thieves.

coat and poses as wisdom.

Barbering and manicuring..... 2.50 Shaking dice at club..... 2.50

How Much Alike We Are.
"I used to think I was different from other girls, but I'm coming to the conclusion that we are all very himself behind a newspaper. Violet was puzzled. "I don't believe he likes me," she thought, as she mounted the stairs. At the top she met little Miss Twitchell, who had the conclusion that we are all very much alike after all." So writes a dear little friend of mine, in philosophic vein. lived for many years at the Zoo. She had a little, dried-up face and form, And now let me tell you something

really thought you were a little girl; but la! when our school teachers wear The feeling that one is different, such short skirts and flounce around that many of one's thoughts and feel-so, how is a body to know? Humph! The feeling that one is different, that many of one's thoughts and feelings are unique, or at least very rare, is one of the hall marks of youth.

As one's experience grows broader, and one realizes how many people there are in the world, and how many there have been, one begins to suspect that perhaps among all of these there may be some who have had similar experiences. And as one grows still older, one begins to doubt if a unique with violet eyes and rosy lips and

er, one begins to doubt if a unique with violet eyes and rosy lips and thought or experience is possible.

One of the experiences which is surely this flower face did not belong most commonly taken for unique by here among these sterner

Love is another experience which the young soul thinks is unique to itself. Of course, the young person in love realizes that other people have been in love, but he is sure that they have never felt quite the same as he. The older one grows, the more one realizes the fundamental similarities of human nature.

One experience which has particularly improved that one make that there might be an epidemic of scarlet fever threatening the school. "Oh, I have had scarlet fever," reassured Violet hastily.

Dr. Coleman froze up again and asked for another cup of tea.

The remainder of the meal was eatler in silence and the guests passed

of human nature.

One experience which has particularly impressed this on me is this: I write about the foibles of someone I out to the broad piazza where ear one immediately appropriated a cone immediately appropriated as a cone immediately appropriate and a cone immediately appropriated as a cone immediately appropriate a cone immediately

outweighed by the likenesses.

The society leader thinks of her maid or her washerwoman ascreatures of another clay. If the veil could be lifted from her eyes and she could see things just as they are for a moment. I believe she would be startled not by the difference, but by the likeness.

Miss Arabella Cady, fat and rosy, bustled out dressed in her second best attire.

"I'm going over to Sister Amy's for a while," she said as she went down the steps. She paused beside Violet and laid a plump hand on the girl's head. "Don't get lonesome, honey—there's a plane in the parlor—make

the difference, but by the likeness.

"For the Colonel's Lady and Julia O'Grady

Are sisters under the skin."

Thank you, Miss Cady," quavered Violet, for she was very near to tears. Presently she arose and went into the our dim parlor. She had learned to play by ear and she had a sweet, untrained ngels laugh, how we must divert nem." Can't you just imagine angels voice. There were so many old songs that she knew by heart, and as the melodies threaded out from her finlaughing at our strutting little vani-ties of class and superiority—we, who probably seem as much alike to them as a flock of sparrows to us. gers she sang softly to their accom-

The differences between the commonest and the most select, the crudest and the most cultured of us, how small they must seem to the Power that it is its angle of this last favorite love song of several resources.

Judicious silence is an eloquent in-

Wealth makes kleptomaniacs; povrty makes thieves.

Ignorance occasionally borrows a
cat and poses as wisdom.

Every woman is a conundrum that
seeps some man guessing.

The Evening Story

Miss Cady's Zoo.

(By John Trent.)

Among the frivolous young folk in the village Miss Arabella Cady's select boarding house was known as "The Zoo." As Sally Hecker vivaciously explained it to her fellow teachers at the high school. "It is a human zoo." the high school, "It is a human 200, anyway, if there could be such a

"First," said Sally, "there is our own revered principal, Mr. Dale—is he not a perfect bear, a b'z growly, grizzly bear? And Dr. Coleman is a perfect polar bear, so cold and unmannerly and restless! And Miss Twitchell is a feline—soft and purry and with sharp claws that scratch, and a biting tongue, And," Sally giggled, "I heard Mr. Dale say that the new boarden the young man who works in the drug store, was a puppy, and everyone lell, at last, and she quite forgot to scratch, "you are a wonderful girl—and I believe we are going to love you—and I hope you will forgive me for "Dear Miss Twitchell!" "Dear Miss Twitchell!" murmured Violet, as she impulsively kissed the faded cheek so near her own.

Still Homer Dale said nothing "Miss Twitchell" scratch, "you are a wonderful girl—and I believe we are going to love you—and I hope you will forgive me for "Dear Miss Twitchell!" murmured Violet, as she impulsively kissed the faded cheek so near her own. the young man who works in the drug store, was a puppy, and everyone knows what a silly goose Mrs. Jones is, and all the rest of the houseful are just as funny and freakish. Oh, no: Miss Lane, don't go to The Zoo to board!"

Violet Lane, the new teacher, smiled mirthfully at Sally's description of Miss Cady's boarders.

"You are too late, Miss Hecker, I've engaged board there and I don't care what you say about the rest of them, and and her own little one was lost in its warm grasp.

"Thank you, Miss Lane, for confiding in us this evening," he said draw from the state one-half his are tirely forgot his presence. When bedtime came Violet saw his extended hand and her own little one was lost in its warm grasp.

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engaged board there and I don't care what you say about the rest of them, but I do think Miss Arabella is a perfect dear."

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"A dear! What did I tell you, girls?" cried Sally. "Oh, don't mind our foolishness, Miss Lane; you are a dear yourself and entirely eligible to go to The Zoo. Perhaps you can do some missionary work among them all."

lieve—I'm—going—to be very happy—here!" And Violet drifted into slumber.

Sally Hecker faced her fellow teachers with a tragio wave of her hand to-ward Violet Lane, who was walking home with Homer Dale.

where she had unpacked her belong-ings that very morning. How quiet was the home atmosphere of the place how delicious the well-cooked

position in the Vineland school meant position in the Vineland school meant to a girl who had worked her way up from an orphaned and friendless childhood, who had paid for her own education and who had never known who had never known in the Vineland school meant to the description of the meant of the most several school meant to the meant of the meant o what a real home was like.

To Violet Lane Miss Cary's zoo was

So, accompanied by the unwar-ranted pity of her companions. Violet Lane turned in at Miss Cady's gate; smiled as they hurried away in af-fected fear of its inmates, and was still smiling as she opened the front

The smile died away as she met the fierce, dark gaze of Homer Dale, the principal of her school. Mr. Dale, a tall, dark, studious looking man, growled a greeting, tried to smile and failed utterly, before he desperately bolted into the sitting room and hid

remarkable. She is only sixteen! Just fancy her having reached that conclusion so soon. Why many of us are just beginning to glimpse it ten years letter. and spoke in a rasping little voice.
"Oh, it's you, Miss Pane—Lane or
Dane, did you say? Oh, Lane! I

the astonished young person who first undergoes it, is that sensation that suddenly comes over one when one is todoing or saying some perfectly simple thing of having done or said just the same thing somewhere, some time, be-

fore. I can remember when I first had these flashes how surprised I was, and how sure that I was having some left blushed and Dr. Coleman was and fat Mrs. Jones giggled. Violet blushed and Dr. Coleman was a controlled blushed b let blushed and Dr. Coleman emerged

write about the foibles of someone I know personally, and from some unknown friend miles away I will receive a letter saying, "You were writing about my neighbor."

So fundamentally similar is human nature?

Nor are there such wide differences between people of different classes as we are in the habit of thinking. The differences to be sure are there, but I believe with all my heart that they are outweighed by the likenesses.

out to the broad plazza where each one immediately appropriated a comfortable chair.

Violet sat down on the top step and felt very lonesome. The women were embroidering and talking in low tones; Dr. Coleman was reading a medical journal; the drug clerk had returned to his soda water fountain, and Mr. Dale was looking very stern and unapproachable behind a newspaper.

Miss Arabella Cady, fat and rosy, bustled out dressed in her second best

how small they must seem to the Power that is itself so infinitely better than the best. When one thinks of it one feels ready to echo Wordsworth:
"The best of what we do and are Just God foreive."

fided a half-forgotten love affair

story of her loveress me.

Simply and straightforwardly.

"My dear," quavered Miss Twitchell, at last, and she quite forgot to defects lie in the length of service required in one place, and that the law quired in one place, and that the law state-wide operation.

Still Homer Dale said nothing. The others chattered so fast that they entirely forgot his presence. When bed-

some missionary work among them all."

Violet smiled and was silent. She could not explain to these giddy girls how pleasant and home!" e was the little chintz-hung room at Miss Cady's, where she had unpacked her belongto a man—or a bear! Miss Twitchell swears by her—Miss Crotty worships her—Dr. Coleman growls her praises to whoever will listen-the drug clerk They could not appreciate what this osition in the Vineland school meant What can we do? The menagerie is

"Oh, he is the most cowed of them all," retorted Sally brightly. "In fact,

To Violet Lane Miss Cary's zoo was all," retorted Sally brightly. "In fact, a charming colonial house filled with delightful people. It was more than that, it was home.

So, accompanied by the unwarranted pity of her companions, Violet Lane turned in at Miss Cady's gate:

Clure Newspaper Syndicate.)

Kansas Comment

TEACHERS' PENSIONS. Social insurance is in the public ear plan, and permission has been given day and among teachers one phase the legion to establish temporary known as pensions. As a rule it is headquarters on Governors Island, a

for a man

elementary school teachers' superam-nuation act. It fixed the age at 65 should be given efforts to attract civil-and required that he shall have spent one-half the years since his certifica-tions of former army and navy men

had to do with a church choir in which she had once sang; Mrs. Jones had been reminded of a lost little one, and ever after that the listeners treated the middle-aged widow with tender deference; Miss Crotty told of how she had always wanted to study music, but there had been no money and many mouths to feed and—millinery paid better wages.

Homer Dale was silent; his eyes never left Violet's lovely face as the girl, in return for the confidence of these new found friends, told the sad story of her loveless life. She told it simply and straightforwardly.

"My dear," quavered Miss Twitch—"

voluntary associations, quasi and semipublic, and public. Many cities have organizations of the first type. Baltimore, St. Paul, Chicago, San Francisco and various associations in the east. As to quasi-public pensions, there has been legislation authorizing the creation of insurance funds by assessment equal to a certain per centum of the teacher's salary, with the administration of the funds in the hands of a public officer. The semipublic type assesses the teachers' salaries directly and the state adds directly or indirectly the municipality.

The Kansas statute affords a good example of the semipublic type. Baltimore, St. Paul, Chicago, San Francisco and various associations in the east.

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is not of state-wide operation.

The public, or fourth type, such as Rhode Island has, provides that any public school teacher 65 years of age, with thirty-five years of teaching experience, twenty-five of which must be in Rhode Island, may retire and draw from the state one-half his average annual salary for the last five years, not to exceed \$500 in amount.

Twenty states have some form of

OUR FIRST RESERVES.

The news from New York of the formation there of an organization to be known as the American Legion and to be composed of former army and navy men, militia men and citi-zens having special qualifications for military service, draws attention to a source of strength that is frequently overlooked. Some appear to look unoverlooked. Some appear to look up-on our small standing army as repre-senting about all the trained fighters we have in this country. They forget that in the .eighborhood of 35,000 trained men are being discharged trained men are being discharged every year, after serving enlistments in the regular army or national guards, and that schools including military training graduate enough others to bring the total to 61,000. The American Legion plans to establish within a short time a first reserve of between 250,000 and 300,000 former army and navy militamen "for instant call in case of emergency." Owing to the "for instant can in case of emergen-cy." Owing to the policy of this na-tion against maintaining a large standing army, no plan has been de-vised, for reserving the services of the men discharged annually after serving military enlistments, but they have always been looked upon by the government as a source of strength. That this confidence is not misplaced is shown by the patriotic move these men are now making to form them-selves into a reserve. Major General Wood has unofficially indorsed the taken to mean an annuity in considera- Government reservation. ation of past services.

Germany was first in this field. In 1885 Prussia passed a teachers' pension act, and other German states followed her lead. The age limit was placed at 65. In 1906 there were more than ten thousand folk school teachers receiving pensions. The average annual message made strong recomfor a man was 1618 marks; for a mendations that stens be taken to-mendations that stens the stens to the ste was 1,618 marks; for a mendations that steps be taken tooman, \$79. ward securing reserves, and President Great Britain, in 1898, passed the Wilson, in a recent message to con-ementary school teachers' superan-gress, said every encouragement one-half the years since his certification as a teacher.

Laws in Scotland, Italy, France and Switzerland have also made protein the legion that the move is not one visions in kind.

In the United States teachers' pensions promise to be the first step in general social insurance. There are four types being considered, private light.-Pittsburg Post.



THE PET KITTEN PLAYS UMPIRE. can, what should be find but a crust

thing to eat.



And he spread his wings and looked s fierce as he could.

"Let's see," he said to himself, "is

it, that's plain to see: Then, because he had to do something even if there was no hope of success, he started for the garbage can again. "I'll just look once more to be sure." he said to him: And there, right down close by the

A flurry of cold and snow covered the ground with white and made breakfast getting a serious problem to Tommy Sparrow. Not but what he was used to problems—any sparrow who spends the winter in the north is used to most everything—but Tommy was more than usually hungry this morning and there seemed not one thing to ear.

Now you're not to suppose that Tommy Sparrow was the only spar-row in that whole city who could find no breakfast on this particular snows morning—for he wasn't! Many and many another little bird found himself in exactly that same fix; so of course all the hungry little fellows were watching for food, just as Tommy was. How he had the good luck to find the only crust in sight, he never knew. Certain it was that he didn't have it long till the others saw him eating and long till the others saw him eating and w down to see what he had. "Oh look," shouted the first one to

make him divide it!" Tommy Sparrow! You know me!" chirped another, "you know me! Give You get away!" answered Tomm; cily, "I found this crust myself! saucily. you are hungry go find one of your own!" And he spread his wings and looked as fierce as he could—which was pretty fierce and warlike he

"Tommy's found a crust! Let's

But the other sparrows were not one bit impressed. They just stepped up to him as though he hadn't said

one word and prepared to take his own precious crust.
"Didn't you hear what I said?" he asked. "I said 'get away!" and I meant it." He ruffled up his feathers

generations Violet became aware that other voices were added to her own. Somehow, the dim room had mysteriously become populated with shadowy forms. There was the reedy treble of Miss Twitchell, the deep bass of Dr. Coleman, the throaty alto of Mrs. Jones, and the rich baritone of Homer Dale. Miss Crotty, the milliner, hummed like a bee, and the Bennet's, husband and wife, sang all off the key in no particular voices at all.

But they all enjoyed is a special around the front porch—evaluation of and pitched in to the nearest bird. Such a fight as it was! The other sparrows saw that Tommy meant business, so they kept a respectful distance and watched the fight. Faster and faster those birds whirled round and round. At each other's throat, neck and breast—it seemed as though that make such a fuss about beautiful snow never had to hunt for food in it, that's plain to see!" Then, because and darted down toward. "nough!" birds saw him coming and flew away JUST in time! Nobody wanted the crust enough to risk being caught by Mr. Kitten!-(Copyright, 1915-Clara

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Tomorrow—Cloud Pastures.

